

Jan. 1, 1904.

## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

### To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Carrie C., Georges, 30,000 lbs. cod.  
Sch. S. P. Willard, Scatteri Bank, 110,000 lbs. cod.  
Sch. Monarch, via Boston.  
Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.  
Sch. Olivia Domingoes, via Boston.

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Outside sale of dory handline cod \$4.40 for large and \$3.90 for medium.

Outside sales Georges cod \$4.75 and \$3.75 per cwt. for large and medium.

Outside sale fresh fish, large cod, \$2.25; market cod, \$1.75; cusk, \$1.60; hake, \$1.15. Round pollock, 80 cts. per cwt.

Bank halibut, 13 cts. per lb. for white and 10 cts. for gray.

Salt mackerel, \$16 per bbl.

Newfoundland salt herring, \$3.50 per bbl.

### Boston.

Sch. Theresa and Alice, 10,000 haddock, 400 cod, 800 hake.

Sch. Thomas W. Knight, 5000 haddock, 2500 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Mertis H. Perry, 290 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Flavilla, 4000 haddock, 1100 cod, 2000 hake, 1000 cusk.

Sch. Irene and May.

Sch. Dorothy, 6030 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake, 500 cusk, 800 pollock.

Sch. John M. Keen, 2000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Manhasset, 19,000 haddock, 2800 cod, 500 hake.

Haddock, \$2.50 to \$3; large cod, \$3 to \$3.25; market cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50; hake, \$2; cusk, \$1.70.

### Portland.

Sch. Maud S. arrived at Portland on Tuesday with 30,000 pounds of fish. The vessel is in command of Capt. George W. Cushing, formerly of sch. John W. Plummer.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Emma and Helen and Arthur Binney arrived at Liverpool on Tuesday.

## GLOUCESTER HARBOR.

Was Port for 3983 Vessels During the Year 1903.

Many Foreign Craft Found Shelter Here.

The custom house report for the year 1903 as compiled by Inspector and Acting Boarding Officer Charles O'Brien, shows that for the 12 months past there have been 3983 arrivals at this port.

Of this large fleet, 3197 were American schooners, 582 American steamers, 50 American tugs, 55 American barges and one American bark.

Of the foreign vessels which arrived here, there were 12 Italian barks, one British ship, four British steamers and 75 British schooners.

# LAST OF BANK FLEET.

Sch. S. P. Willard Gets Home on New Year's Day.

## MET CHAPTER OF MISHAPS!

Lost Her Rudder and Afterward Her Fore-Rigging.

Sch. S. P. Willard, Capt. Thomas L. Allen, the last vessel of the salt bank fleet arrived home this morning after a chapter of accidents and a long buck against head winds.

The Willard was on her second trip and was bound home as long ago as the latter part of December, when she lost her rudder, and after a terrible experience for six days during the most of which time she was at the mercy of a heavy gale and came near being lost she reached North Sydney, C. B., Nov. 30, as previously reported in the TIMES.

Here the captain and crew fashioned a rudder out of lengths of cable and the craft once more started for home. Heavy gales and head winds were encountered and the Willard parted her fore-rigging and tore her jib. In this plight the craft put into Shelburne, N. S.

Here repairs were effected and once more the vessel started for home reaching here after a rough passage, but meeting no farther disaster.

Much credit is given Capt. Allen and his men for fixing up the rudder in the clever manner which they did.

This is probably the latest arrival of a salt bank trip on record.

Jan. 2.

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### To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Norman Fisher, Georges, 20,000 lbs. cod.

Sch. Admiral Dewey, via Boston, 25,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Pythian, shore.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, shore.

Sch. Flavilla, shore.

Sch. Dorothy, shore.

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Outside sale of dory handline cod \$4.40 for large and \$3.90 for medium.

Outside sales Georges cod \$4.75 and \$3.75 per cwt. for large and medium.

Bank halibut, 13 cts. per lb. for white and 10 cts. for gray.

Newfoundland salt herring, \$3.50 per bbl.

### Boston.

Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, 2000 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Evelyn L. Smith, 1500 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake, 500 pollock.

Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 4500 haddock, 300 cod.

Sch. Elsie F. Rowe, 3300 haddock, 1300 cod, 500 hake, 500 pollock.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sen. Dauntless, 500 haddock, 1300 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Livonia, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake, 4000 pollock.

Sch. Nannie C. Boblin, 40,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 2000 hake, 3000 cod.

Haddock, \$2.50 to \$3.25; large cod, \$2.50 to \$3; market cod, \$2.25 to \$3; pollock, \$2 to \$2.25; hake, \$2; cusk, \$1.60.

### Herring Notes.

Sch. Elector is reported on the way home from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a full load of frozen herring.

Sch. Richard Wainwright is fitting for a second Newfoundland herring trip.

Herring are still not plentiful at Bay of Islands and several vessels have as yet taken no fish.

There are no herring at Bonne Bay N. F., and sch. Bohemia has gone from there to Bay of Islands, N. F., to try and secure a load.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Isaac Collins with a volunteer crew on board left Provincetown Thursday morning to search for wreckage in the bay.

## WEEKLY FISH MARKET.

There is very little of interest in the fish market the past week. Trade is quiet as is expected just now but an improvement is soon looked for. All prices remain firm and practically unchanged with the exception of smoked bladders which have been raised 10 cents per hundred, on account of the half dollar raise per barrel on salt herring. The price is now \$1.35 per hundred for bladders.

One salt herring and one frozen herring cargo have arrived from Newfoundland this week. The demand for both is excellent and prices accordingly good. The situation as regards to frozen herring at Bay of Islands, N. F., is somewhat improved. Some frost has been had and herring are more plentiful.

All kinds of ground fish have been in light receipt, long continued bad weather accounting wholly for this state of affairs.

The receipts for the week, up to noon today, Jan. 2, aggregate:

177,000 pounds of salt cod.  
48,000 pounds of fresh cod.  
43,000 lbs. fresh haddock.  
950 bbls. frozen herring.  
1445 bbls. salt herring.  
700 qtls. cured fish.

Prices based on Board of Trade quotations and last sales are as follows:

### Salt Fish from Vessel.

	Board of Trade Prices per cwt.	Outside Sales
Large Georges cod (handline)	4.50	4.75
Medium Georges cod (handline)	3.75	3.75
Large Georges cod (trawl)	4.25	
Medium Georges cod	3.50	
Large handline cod from deck caught east of Cape Sable	4.25	
Medium do.	3.50	
Large trawl bank cod	3.75	
Medium trawl bank cod	3.37 1 2	
Large dory handline cod	4.00	
Medium do.	3.62 1-2	

### Fresh Fish from Vessel.

All large cod caught on La Have bank and to the westward	2.25	2.25
Medium do.	1.70	1.70
All large cod caught to the eastward of La Have Bank	2.25	2.25
Medium do.	1.70	1.70
Cusk	1.60	1.60
Haddock	1.00	1.00
Hake	1.10	1.10
Pollock	.60	.60

### Other Prices from Vessel.

Hake sounds, 5 to 5 1-2 cts. per lb.  
Livers, soft 30 cts. per bucket; hard, 90 cts. per bucket.  
Fresh Bank halibut (white) 13 cts. per lb.  
Fresh Bank halibut (gray) 10 cts. per lb.  
Fresh herring, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per bbl.  
Newfoundland salt herring \$3.50 per bbl.  
Smoked bloater herring, \$1.35 per hundred.  
Frozen squid, \$33.50 per cwt.  
Frozen herring, \$3.50 per cwt.

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Local Quotations of Cured Fish.

Cured Large Georges cod	\$7.25 to 7.50 per cwt.
Cured Medium Georges cod	5.75 to 6.00
Cured large Bank cod	5.50
Cured Medium Bank cod	4.75 to \$5
Kench cured large Bank cod	6.50
Kench cured medium Bank cod	6.00
Cured large shore cod	6.37 1-2
Cured medium shore cod	5.00
Cured cusk	4.75
Cured hake	2.50
Cured haddock	3.50 to 4
Heavy salted pollock	2.37 1-2
English cured pollock	3.50

#### Mackerel.

Shore 1s.	\$19 to \$20 per bbl.
Shore extra 1s	21 to 22 per bbl.
Shore bloaters	24 to 25 per bbl.
Nova Scotias	18 per bbl.
Prince Edward Island	18 per bbl.
Norway bloaters	39 per bbl.
Norway 1s	29.50 per bbl.
Norway 2s	26 per bbl.
Irish	18 per bbl.

### INTERESTING HERRING NEWS.

#### Western Star Gives Late Reliable News.

#### Herring at Middle Arm But No Frost.

The Bay of Islands, N. F., Western Star of Wednesday has the following reliable and interesting herring news at that place:

During the week there was a great scarcity of herring in North Arm and nearly all, if not quite all, the fishermen took up their gear and left for their homes. The vessels, with a few exceptions, moved around to Middle Arm, where the fish were to be had in great abundance. On Christmas day the herring again struck in at North Arm, and the few boats there had good fishing. At Middle Arm the scene is one of great activity. There is a large fleet of vessels there, herring are plentiful and quite a hundred men are fishing.

The one desideratum necessary both for vessels awaiting cargoes and the fishermen is frost, and there has not been any frost to speak of during the week. The scaffolds which fringe the beaches are all covered with large, clean, bright herring, but comparatively few barrels have been sufficiently well frozen to load in the holds of the vessels. With the exception of two American vessels, equipped with artificial freezing apparatus and three vessels owned by the Messrs. Penney, there has been but one of the American fleet as yet loaded with frozen herring. The barge J. K. Manning, at North Arm, has about 1200 bbls. frozen herring on board; these will be shipped during the present week for the Canadian market.

The season so far has not been profitable for outsiders. Messrs. Whiteley and others of the East coast have barely cleared expenses while Messrs. McFarridge, Cashin, Renouf and others of Bay St. George have not done anything like as well as they did last year.

The refrigerator barge J. K. Manning, operating in North Arm, will be towed to Woods Island harbor by the steamer Harlaw on her next trip to the coast. The barge will remain at Woods Island harbor till next spring.

### SCH. BELLE J. NEAL WRECKED

#### Went Ashore Off Point Allerton Sunday Morning.

#### Crew Rescued After Terrible Struggle in Storm.

After hours of the severest and most heroic struggles that life saving crews have had along this coast in many years to save wrecked seamen, the captain and crew, seven in all, of the Boston fishing sch. Belle J. Neal, which went ashore on Point Allerton Bar, off Hull, early yesterday morning, were rescued in life saving boats long after every man of them had given up hopes of reaching land. The Neal was on the way to Boston from Newfoundland with 280,000 pounds of salt cod.

The Neal fitted out at this port last May and has not been home since. The craft was in command of Capt. Frank Carter, with the following crew: Joseph Ruth, George Anderson, Samuel Dick, Robert Gillis, John Howard and Aaron Blake.

The schooner was owned by J. E. Lincoln of 170 State street, Boston, and was valued at \$3000. There was no insurance on the schooner or its cargo.

At high tide the schooner floated under the government sea wall at Point Allerton. She lies on her port side with her masts extending above the top of the sea wall and there are huge holes stove through her sides. It is believed she will be a total loss. She is high and dry now and even high tide will not float her.

It is believed the cargo of salt cod, valued at \$15,000, can be saved, and an attempt will be made to remove it today.

The Neal was built in Essex in 1885 and measures 118.11 tons gross and 112.21 tons net.

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#### Boston.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 20,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 500 pollock, 9000 cusk.

Sch. Indiana, 6000 haddock, 5000 cod, 1300 hake, 1000 cusk, 500 pollock.

Sch. Electric Flash, 15,000 haddock, 4400 cod, 300 hake.

Sch. Ella M. Doughty, 16,000 haddock, 4500 cod, 300 hake.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 5000 haddock, 600 cod, 500 hake, 200 cusk.

Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 40,000 haddock, 9000 cod.

Haddock, \$3.60 to \$5; large cod, \$4 to \$4.50; market cod, \$3.50 to \$4; pollock, \$2.25 to \$2.50; hake, \$2.50; cusk, \$1.60 to \$1.75.

#### Herring Notes.

Capt. Heberle of the tug Priscilla reports 2000 barrels of herring in the traps at Boothbay harbor.

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Tolman French French Merchant

### BIG SHORTAGE.

#### Nova Scotia's Cod Catch Much Below 1902.

The Halifax Herald says: "An average catch of the Nova Scotia summer fleet on the banks is 190,000 quintals. During the past season the catch was only 85,000 quintals, a decline of 105,000 quintals. The spring catch averages 50,000 quintals, and this was a bout maintained. A total Nova Scotia catch, spring and summer, should average 240,000 quintals. The drop of 105,000 in the summer catch brings the total down from 240,000 to 135,000 quintals." This information was given to The Herald by A. E. Jones, in the course of a conversation recently.

The high prices are a good thing in one sense but in another they are evil. The curtailment of demand, in consequence of the increase, is so great that people give up the use of fish; and this season has seen the loss of markets that would have been retained at an average price.

A shortage next season, such as we have had in the past, would, in the opinion of Mr. Jones, be a very serious matter for Nova Scotia—its fishermen and fish exporting merchants—on account not only of the loss to the fleet, but because of the loss of foreign markets that must follow.

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#### Boston.

Sch. Quonnapowitt, 10,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 3000 pollock.

Haddock and large cod, \$4.50; market cod, \$3.50; pollock, \$2.50.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Metamora, haddocking.

Sch. Arcadia, haddocking.

Sch. Rienzi, haddocking.

Sch. James R. Clark, haddocking.

Sch. Flavilla, haddocking.

Sch. Thomas W. Knight, haddocking.

Sch. Mary P. Mosquita, haddocking.

Sch. Monarch, haddocking.

Sch. Dorothy, haddocking.

#### Portland.

The only arrival at Portland on Sunday was fishing sch. Stranger with 35,000 pounds of fish.

Sch. Margaret was at Portland on Saturday.